

Mexican bank notes, state bills, 9@18c; pesos, 78c; Mexican gold, 58@59c; national, 174@185c; bar silver, H. & H. quotations, 81.07 1/2; copper, 32c; grains, irregular; livestock, steady; stocks, irregular.

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El Paso and West Texas, fair; New Mexico, fair except showers northwest; Arizona, local showers east. (Food forecast for Thursday—One wheatless meal.)

SOMEBODY AFTER CITY ALERMAN FIRE CHIEF

Council Is Investigating Complaint About Use of Fire Department Autos, "Joy Rides," and Report That Women Slide Down Poles in Fire Station and That Women's Underwear Was Found in Station.

THE city council and the civil service commission were engaged Tuesday evening and Wednesday morning in a secret investigation of a number of informal charges against fire chief John Wray, mayor Charles Davis said, on being questioned Wednesday.

Asked if the complaints involved a city alderman, the mayor admitted they did, and also replied in the affirmative when asked if they did not include allegations that city gasoline or automobile equipment were used for "joy rides." Mayor Davis added: "There are a number of charges against 'Chief' Wray, and I am sure there is a lack of discipline in the fire department, but I want to say for the chief that the investigation under way is tending to make out a good case for him and to show he did no wrong."

Alderman Involved, Too.

The mayor said the council heard late Tuesday evening that complaint was made regarding an alderman and the fire chief before county attorney W. H. Fryer. The last named on being questioned, said he referred the matter to city attorney J. H. McBroome, thus explaining how the council secured its information.

"While no court charges have been made and I cannot say exactly where the complaint came from, there have been made before me allegations that the city has paid for tires and other equipment used on a private automobile; that whiskey was taken to the fire station and that women had slid down the poles in

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U-Boat Officer Says Six Boats Are Here For That Purpose.

USE TRAWLER AS RAIDER ON OCEAN

Belgian Relief Ship Sinks After Hitting Mine In North Sea.

NEW HIGH MARK, 101.60, IS REACHED BY LIBERTY 34S

NEW YORK, Aug. 21.—Liberty 34S, a new high mark, reached the new high mark of 101.60 at noon on the stock exchange.

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ORDER OF GERMAN COMMANDER REVEALS PLAN FOR REVOLUTION

German Soldier Is Quoted as Having Said Troops Plan to Leave, Taking Guns With Them; Many Instances of Insubordination Are Reported; Occupants of Hun Airplane Secretly Burned, Is Report.

LONDON, Eng., Aug. 21.—French troops advanced three miles today along the Oise and reached Sempigny, a mile from the outskirts of Noyon, according to reports from the battle front.

The line occupied by Gen. Mangin's army at 2 o'clock this afternoon ran from Sempigny to Pontoise, and thence to La Pommeraye, Montchigny, Cuts, Camelin, Blerancourt, St. Aubin, La Tour farm, Mont du Crocq farm, Vesaponin, Biexy, Laval, and reaches the Aisne at Courtill.

Details Are Lacking.

No further details of the fighting north of the Aisne have reached London since noon. Reports were received telling of the capture of Achiet-le-Grand, but they have not been absolutely confirmed.

The Germans today made an attack after heavy artillery preparation on the new British positions south of the river Scarpe, but they were entirely defeated and the British retained every foot of their line.

French Newsing Noyon.

Paris, France, Aug. 21.—(Havas).—French troops have reached a point not far from the village of Pontoise, two and four tenths miles from Noyon, according to the intramural.

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Speeches of Revolution.

British Headquarters in France, Aug. 21.—(By the Associated Press).—Further details concerning the offensive operation issued by a German commander, saying that men on leave have spoken openly of revolution, and that the Germans are unwilling, and that the village of Camelin has been reached.

Another order deals with the investigation into a case where a German airplane was shot down, probably by mistake by German troops and the occupants secretly buried. "Such procedure," the order said, "is unworthy of the German army."

In still another document, Gen. Ludendorff says there are constant reports of German officers who have voiced utterances that are calculated to awaken feelings of doubt as to German preparedness for battle. He mentions an officer in Berlin who said that further offensives were impossible on the western front because of the shortage of horses and oats. Gen. Ludendorff warns officers against spreading such unfavorable rumors. He declares that it is remarkable that they never being encouraging news home from the front, and that it is "better to color the situation with a rosy hue than with black paint."

77th Not in Italy.

Gen. March corrected a report that the 77th division (troops of New York city and vicinity) was being sent to Italy. It was last reported, he said, in Ypres.

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10,000 Czecho-Slovaks Are Reported in Way To Manchurian Front

HARBIN, Manchuria, Friday, Aug. 16.—Col George H. Emerson and party, from whom no tidings had been received for more than two months, now are cooperating with the Czecho-Slovak troops near Irkutsk, according to a telegram just received from Col. Emerson. The party is engaged in repairing bridges.

Czecho-Slovaks are in control of the railway from Lake Baikal to the Ural mountains.

It is reported that 10,000 Czecho-Slovaks are on their way to the Manchurian front and that the Japanese are going from Vladivostok to the coast front, where they are replacing Czecho-Slovak forces that have been fighting here.

Col. George H. Emerson, former general manager of the Great Northern railway, went to Siberia last November to supervise the work of double tracking and reequipping the trans-Siberian railway.

London, Eng., Aug. 21.—A final breach between the two revolutionary parties in Russia was manifested from the opening of the fifth congress of all Russian soviets at Moscow, early in July, according to a number of belated Russian dispatches, covering happenings in Russia during the first half of July. Unpleasant scenes and recriminations marked the meeting of the congress. An assertion that a majority of the people in the provinces were opposed to soviet rule was made to protect the soviet revolutionists of the left.

Demand Excessive Withdrawal.

A report on relations, foreign minister Tschitcherine announced that the commissaries had demanded the withdrawal of British, French and American warships from the Mian coast and had dispatched soviet troops thither as a reply to the British landing there.

The soviet majority in the congress repudiated all possibility of a renewal of the war; the soviet revolutionists of the left insisted on a merciless struggle against all "imperialist plunderers and German robbers."

A Moscow dispatch received in Amsterdam July 26, reported that Martin Spidropoulos had been one of the number of soviet revolutionists shot for the murder of German ambassador von Mirbach.

To Review Americans.

Gen. Ornd, commander of the 4th

Headliners in Today's Theaters

ALHAMBRA—A Pair of Silk Stockings, Constance Talmadge.

BROADWAY—Over the Garden Wall, Ed Redmond, 30 Miles.

GARDEN—Special Feature.

GRACIAN—Shark Moored, W. S. Hart.

UNIQUE—A Successful Adventure, May.

WIGWAM—Hell Bent, Harry Carey.

Battle Front in France Is Made 50 Miles Shorter By Allies Within A Month

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 21.—As a result of the allied successes during the past month the battle front in France from Reims to the North sea has been reduced in length more than 50 miles, Gen. March told the newspaper men today, in his mid-week conference.

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The Salvation Army's War Work Program Is Deserving Help The Elks Raise It

Send in \$10 keeps a child 1 day in its own home, \$20 keeps a child 1 month in its own home, \$50 keeps a child 1 year in its own home.